

AP US History: Civil War Review

Practice Test

Name: _____ Date: _____

Choose the best answer for each multiple-choice item. Mark each statement true or false.

Section 1 - Multiple Choice

1. The 1854 Kansas–Nebraska Act is best known for:
 - A) Banning slavery in all new territories
 - B) Repealing the Missouri Compromise and applying popular sovereignty
 - C) Admitting California as a free state
 - D) Ending the Underground Railroad
2. The Emancipation Proclamation (1863):
 - A) Freed all enslaved people in the United States immediately
 - B) Freed enslaved people in Confederate states still in rebellion
 - C) Was a constitutional amendment
 - D) Applied only to border states
3. Which battle is widely considered the turning point of the Civil War?
 - A) First Bull Run
 - B) Antietam
 - C) Gettysburg
 - D) Vicksburg
4. Lincoln was assassinated by John Wilkes Booth on:
 - A) April 9, 1865
 - B) April 14, 1865
 - C) May 1, 1865
 - D) July 4, 1865

Section 2 - True / False

	True	False
5. The Confederate States of America was led by Jefferson Davis as president.		
6. The 14th Amendment guaranteed the right to vote regardless of race.		

Answer Key

Section 1 - Multiple Choice

1. **B**

It allowed settlers in Kansas and Nebraska to decide on slavery themselves, voiding the Missouri Compromise line.

2. **B**

It declared free those held in areas still in rebellion. The 13th Amendment later abolished slavery nationwide.

3. **C**

Gettysburg (July 1863) ended Lee's northern invasion and is conventionally cited as the turning point, though Vicksburg fell the next day and was strategically pivotal.

4. **B**

Booth shot Lincoln at Ford's Theatre on April 14, 1865; Lincoln died the following morning.

Section 2 - True / False

5. **True**

Davis was elected provisional president in 1861 and served until the Confederacy collapsed in 1865.

6. **False**

The 14th granted citizenship and equal protection. The 15th Amendment (1870) prohibited denying the vote based on race.